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In the **PATENT APPLICATION** of:

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REWARDING THE RETURN  
OF SHOPPING CARTS**Group:** Not Yet Known**Examiner:** Not Yet Known**Our File:** LBP-PT016

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**Date:** April 5, 2002

**COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE  
TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS  
UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE  
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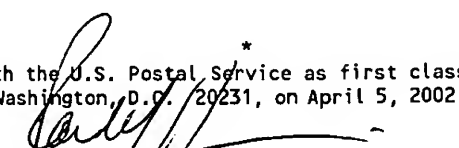
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It is respectfully submitted that all formalities have been met.

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- Information Disclosure Statements
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- Small Entity Statement

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 22 or 32 MONTHS (where 37 CFR 1.495 applies) FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

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